#### DRAFT STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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# The Welfare Reform (Northern Ireland) Order 2015

### PART 4

### Other benefit changes

State pension credit

#### State pension credit: carers

- **80.**—(1) The State Pension Credit Act (Northern Ireland) 2002 is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 2 (guarantee credit), in subsection (8), for paragraphs (a) and (b) substitute—
  - '(a) the claimant has regular and substantial caring responsibilities, or
  - (b) the claimant is a member of a couple the other member of which has such responsibilities,".
- (3) In section 17 (interpretation), in subsection (1), in the appropriate place insert—

""regular and substantial caring responsibilities" has such meaning as may be prescribed;".